SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 99 By Crutchfield

A RESOLUTION to commend Mrs. Tommie S. Montgomery for her honorable and astute service to the people of Tennessee.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those estimable public servants who have dedicated themselves to improving the quality of life for their fellow citizens; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Tommie Safford Montgomery is one such citizen who evinces the greatest integrity and probity in all her chosen endeavors; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Montgomery is a highly respected member of the greater Hamilton County community, which she has called home since the age of sixteen; and

WHEREAS, throughout her exemplary twenty-eight year tenure as a dedicated employee of the Department of Human Services, Mrs. Montgomery has witnessed and eased the plight of many Hamilton County children and has distinguished herself as a public-spirited citizen of the highest order and as an exceptional asset to her community; and

WHEREAS, Tommie Montgomery's remarkable success as a public servant and civic leader is directly attributable to her reliance on the time-honored values of hard work and common sense, and her uncommon ability to work well with people from all walks of life; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Montgomery is an extremely giving person who often reaches out with compassion to people who life has treated unkindly; she epitomizes the ideal of the consummate professional, dedicated public servant and reliable friend and neighbor; and

WHEREAS, her many accomplishments aside, Tommie Safford Montgomery is fortunate to share both love and companionship with her husband, and their three biological children and four adopted children; and

WHEREAS, demonstrating her great love for children and her fellowman, Tommie Montgomery has also worked part-time in various community centers and has positively impacted the lives of hundreds of area children; and

WHEREAS, Mrs. Montgomery is wholly committed to the noble precepts of public service that have earned Tennessee recognition as the "Volunteer State," and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, That we hereby commend Mrs. Tommie Safford Montgomery of Hamilton County for her honorable and astute service to the good people of Tennessee and the children of Hamilton County as an exemplary twenty-eight year employee of the Department of Human Services and salute her unswerving commitment to living the examined life with courage and conviction.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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